

Appl. No. 10/686,140
Docket No. 9082
Amdt. dated October 30, 2006
Reply to Office Action mailed on September 29, 2006
Customer No. 27752

REMARKS

Claim Status

Claims 1-19 and 21 are pending in the present application. No additional claims fee is believed to be due.

Claim 20 canceled without prejudice.

It is believed these changes do not involve any introduction of new matter. Consequently, entry of these changes is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

Response to Requirement for Restriction of Inventions

The Examiner has required, under 35 USC §121, election of a single disclosed invention for prosecution on the merits. This hereby confirms the election to prosecute the invention designated in the Office Action as Invention of Group I. This election is made without traverse. Claims 1-19 and 21 are drawn to this invention.

Claim 20 has been canceled by this amendment as being drawn to a non-elected invention. The Office Action of September 29, 2006, indicated that Group II was for Claim 19, drawn to a method. As Claim 20 was omitted from Group I and is drawn to a method claim (whereas Claim 19 is drawn to a device), Applicants have assumed that identification of Claim 19 in Group II was a typographical error.

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